

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application Serial No. .... 09/652,533  
Filing Date ..... August 31, 2000  
Inventor..... Gurtej S. Sandhu et al  
Assignee..... Micron Technology, Inc.  
Group Art Unit..... 2823  
Examiner ..... W. Coleman  
Attorney's Docket No. ..... MI22-1385  
Customer No. ..... 021567  
Title: Deposition Methods and Apparatuses Providing Surface Activation

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO ACCOMPANY A RCE FILING**

To: MS 313(c)  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

**RECEIVED**

FEB 23 2006

**OFFICE OF PETITIONS**

From: James E. Lake (Tel. 509-624-4276; Fax 509-838-3424)  
Wells St. John P.S.  
601 W. First Avenue, Suite 1300  
Spokane, WA 99201-3828

**AMENDMENTS**

No amendments.

**REMARKS**

This Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Application is being filed in an abundance of caution to permit consideration of a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

No new matter is being presented in this application.

A telephonic interview is requested in the event that the next office action is one other than a Notice of Allowance. The undersigned is available during normal business hours (Pacific Time Zone).

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 22 Feb 2006

By: JES  
James E. Lake  
Reg. No. 44,854